

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the third paragraph of page 12 with the following amended paragraph:

Because the imaging apparatus of the Structure (1) described above has an image sensor for inputting an object image and obtaining as an image signal, an image processing means for conducting the image processing according to the printer characteristic information on the obtained image signal, and a display means for displaying the image according to the image signal after the processing by the image processing means, for example, when the print is conducted from a general purpose printer according to the image signal obtained by the image sensor, the optimum image processing when the print is conducted by such the printer, can be conducted on the image signal according to the printer characteristic information prior to the print, accordingly, the image signal can be directly transferred not through the personal computer, and the print having the high image quality can be easily obtained. Further, before the image signal is outputted to the printer, because the image can be confirmed by the display means, for example, the finished image condition of the composite image can be confirmed in advance, which is convenient. Herein, "the printer characteristic information" is the information relating to the density characteristic of the printer or the sharpness characteristic, or in the case of the printer using an ink ribbon, includes the information relating to a size of the ribbon or color, but, is not limited to that. Thus, the physical or hardware, "printer characteristics" described above such as the size of the ribbon or color of the ribbon may not be changed by the user during operation, but instead are hardware characteristics inherent in a specific printer based on its mechanisms and particular design parameters built therein. In this connection, as an example of the imaging apparatus, the electronic camera is listed, but, the imaging apparatus is not limited to it.

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